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BASE-BALL.

GREAT EXCITEMENT ON LOCAL BALL GROUNDS SATURDAY.

On the Williamson Avenue Grounds a Close Game Enthusiased the Spectators—A Demonstration of a Different Order on the Arlington Avenue Grounds—Games Scheduled for This Afternoon

The Wataessing Club defeated a base-ball team called the Montclair Athletic Association on Saturday afternoon by a score of five to four. The game was not finished. The visiting team left the field before the second inning was closed, and a base-ball and a bat and two gloves belonging to the Wataessing Club disappeared at the same time. The departing team was pursued and one of the gloves recovered, but the other missing articles could not be found.

The name Montclair A. A., it should be stated in justice to the people of Montclair, does not signify that the players come from Montclair. The club is said to be made up of Orange and West Orange youths, and every time the Wataessing have undertaken to play a club with any of the West Orange element in it there has been trouble on the ball field. Notwithstanding the grand stand was filled Saturday afternoon with people who had paid the admission fee and had paid to see a game of base-ball, the visiting players had no regard for these people at all, and broke up the game when it suited their purpose to do so.

It was evident that the West Orange team had a set programme for Saturday's game, and it was that if the visiting team had a chance to win the game was to be continued. If there was no chance to win the game was to be broken up. The visitors made three runs in the first inning and everything was lovely, but when the Wataessing came in and tied the score the West Orange rooters got angry and began to apply insulting epithets to the umpire. The scene was a rowdyish and disgraceful one, and the Wataessing team should not out all such teams from its schedule. The Wataessing team's treasury is not so well filled that it can afford to lose the club's paraphernalia in such large quantities as occurred last Saturday. If the club is going to continue playing such teams a strong locker should be erected on the ball field and the balls, bats and gloves safely guarded.

The St. Xavier College team of New York City will play the Wataessing this afternoon on the Arlington avenue grounds. The St. Xavier team played a good game here last season.

In a close well played game at East Orange Saturday the Ampere A. C. defeated the Wataessing F. C. by the score of 7 to 6. Both Carroll and Grover pitched good games.

AMPERE A. C.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Berndsen, 2b.	2	3	2	0	0	0
Grover, p.	1	3	3	0	1	1
Worce, 1b.	1	2	2	1	1	1
Thompson, 3b.	0	0	0	0	2	0
H. Houston, c.	0	1	10	2	0	0
Valle, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0	0
D. Houston, l. f.	0	0	0	0	0	0
McMullen, 2b.	0	1	1	3	0	1
Fisher, c. f.	2	1	0	1	0	1
Total.	7	10	27	13	5	3

WATAESSING F. C.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Foley, c. f.	0	1	0	1	0	0
Ungamab, 1b.	1	1	0	0	0	1
Ungamab, s. s.	0	1	0	0	2	1
Swamy, l. f.	2	3	0	0	0	1
Baggett, 2b.	1	3	0	0	0	0
Dunkin, c.	0	2	13	0	0	0
McMullen, c. f.	1	1	1	2	0	0
Swamy, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carroll, p.	1	2	0	0	4	0
Total.	6	12	26	14	5	3

Two out when winning run was scored.
Ampere..... 6 0 2 0 0 0 3-7
Wataessing..... 0 0 2 0 0 0 3-7
First base on balls—Out Carroll 4, of Grover 1.
Struck out—By Carroll 12, by Grover 12.
Three base hit—Moore. Two base hits—Grover, H. Houston, McMullen. Stolen bases—Ampere 7, Wataessing 8. Double play—Maxwell, Baggett and Ungamab. Hit by pitcher—Valle. Time—2h. 15m. Umpire—Hershey.

Last Saturday afternoon the followers of the Field Club witnessed the best and most exciting game of ball seen on the Williamson avenue grounds this season. The home team had for their opponents the fast-e-8 aggregation in amateur base-ball in New Jersey to-day, the Irvington Council A. A., who had lately added to their laurels by defeating the crack Montclair B. B. C. itself, and certainly expected to find the Bloomfielders easy, but just managed to walk away with the game by the score 8 to 7. While this is the official score the game really belongs to the home team, for two runs were lost to the Field Club by clearly erroneous decisions at the plate, though each was given with the best intention by the umpire, Mr. Dodd.

The Field Club boys played with good snap and vim, taking every chance both in the field and at base running, and the game was not over till the last man was out. There was a man on third when the Field Club struck out in the ninth end of the game. The Irvington players have since acknowledged that they met the hardest battle thus far in last Saturday's game, and are looking for another date.

This afternoon the Field Club will

meet the crack Montclair A. C. team, with the crack battery, the Calder brothers. This Montclair pitcher is the one who only allowed Wataessing four hits on July 4th, and the home team will endeavor to do somewhat better than Wataessing did on that occasion. The score last week:
Bloomfield..... 1 0 0 0 0 1 3-7
Irvington..... 1 0 2 0 0 0 1-4-3

Other People's Troubles.

The cause of complaint against the water supply in East Orange is believed to be the unpleasant condition of the Newark supply, the use of which is confined to the section of this city south of Main street, from which section all the complaints come. The trouble could be removed or greatly reduced by systematic flushing, and this should be done, but it should not be done by East Orange. This city is paying Newark for water at an outrageously exorbitant figure, because Newark recognized its neighbor's temporary necessity and was entirely willing to profit by it, but Newark is morally, if not by contract, bound to furnish water at the East Orange line in the best possible condition, and that city should keep its mains thoroughly flushed in the immediate vicinity of its point of delivery. It should not devote upon this city to buy water from Newark at the rate of one hundred dollars per million gallons and then run it to waste in order that it may be put in the condition in which Newark is in all decency bound to deliver it. The flushing should be done before the water reaches the East Orange metre, not after it has passed through it.—East Orange Gazette.

In Wataessing Park.

Arrangements have been perfected for a dual athletic meet with the Passaic Young Men's Christian Association, September 17. Orange and Passaic recently tied for the first place in the annual State championship meet, and it is the desire of both parties that the better team be selected by competition. The events will be the same as in the State meet, minus the relay race. This additional hard relay will be too much for the few men who are obliged to make up the two teams. The programme, therefore, will be 100, 220 and 440 yard dashes, 1/2 mile and 1 mile run, running broad jump, running high jump, and 12 ft. shot put; also 1/2 mile relay race for boys 16 years and under, not to count in the scoring. Orange will depend upon Captain Lindsay, Alden and Blaghi in the sprints, Alden and Halsey in the 440, Berger and S. Miller in the distance run, Lindsay, Christopher and Shakespear in the broad and high jump. Stracnan and Nelson in the shot put. First and second prizes will be given in each event, and a trophy to the winning team. The contests will probably take place on the Wataessing track.

No More Water for East Jersey.

At a meeting of the Water Committee of the Newark Board of Works Thursday Engineer Morris R. Sherrard reported that the agreement with the East Jersey Water Company had been fulfilled, and the city now owned all the land in the watershed, 3,876 acres. The city procured additional land from the company by supplying the latter with water to sell to other municipalities. Under the agreement made February, 1902, the company decided to the city one acre of land for every 2,000,000 gallons of water supplied to the company.

Mr. Sherrard said that the agreement had expired, no more water is being supplied to the East Jersey Company, and none would be unless the company made another agreement with the city to pay for any water furnished to it. The value of the land the city has secured was \$104,000.

Hurt in a Collision.

Charles Mount, 16 years old, was painfully hurt in a collision with a wagon loaded with stone in Broad street Tuesday morning. Mount was riding his bicycle toward Brookdale when the wheel swerved suddenly and he was thrown headlong against the wagon. He was picked up unconscious and taken into Dr. F. B. Moore's office and given medical attendance. His injuries are not serious.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Longshaw.

Mrs. Sarah Longshaw, widow of Thomas Longshaw, died at her home on Dodd street, East Orange, on Friday of last week, at the age of seventy years. Funeral services were held at her late home Monday afternoon and interment was made in Rosedale Cemetery.

Lightning Kills a Cow.

A lightning bolt struck a large tree in front of the barn of Joseph Helms in Bellevue avenue, Brookdale, Monday night, then entered the barn and killed a cow. Three other cows escaped injury.

Odorous Excavating.

Licensed by Board of Health. Odorous Excavating orders promptly tended to at reasonable rates. Apply to or address RICHARD MAXWELL, No. 15 Clinton Street, Bloomfield. Telephone No. 59-a.—Adv.

BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dog Ordinance Adopted and will be Enforced—Hawkers and Peddlers' License Ordinance Passed—A Claim for Damages Presented—No Action Taken as to Fire Alarm Box Keys.

The Glen Ridge Council took measures Monday night to make dogs yield an income to the borough by passing an ordinance requiring that every person owning a dog shall secure a license at a cost of \$1 a year for each male and \$3 for each female dog. The ordinance provides for the appointment of a warden and as many assistants as he thinks are necessary. Their remuneration is to be fixed by the Council. The ordinance contains a section imposing a fine of \$5 on all persons neglecting to obtain licenses for their dogs and another providing a penalty for any one interfering with the warden in the discharge of his duty.

The Council also passed an ordinance in relation to hawkers and peddlers. This measure provides for the issuance of licenses for the privilege of peddling goods on the streets of Glen Ridge. Such licenses are to be issued by the Council as it sees fit and are subject to revocation. No unlicensed person shall sell or peddle in the borough under penalty of a fine of \$10, and no license or cart bearing a license number can be loaned. Every license-holder who is not a resident of Glen Ridge shall pay \$5 per year to the collector, which entitles him to the use of one cart or wagon, and \$5 extra for every additional cart. This fee is made payable on the first of May of each year, but the ordinance is to go into effect on the first of August of this year, and the fee from that time to the first of May, 1905, is made \$4.

Mr. Knight, of the Committee on Streets and Roads, read a communication from a Mr. Bennett, making a claim on the Council for damages to his horse and carriage, caused by the dangerous condition of Baldwin street. A storm sewer has just been laid on that street, and the recent rains caused the dirt in the trench to sink. Mr. Bennett contended that \$75 was a low figure for the damages sustained. Councilman Wallace remarked that he had seen Mr. Bennett driving the horse alone last Wednesday, when the accident occurred, and that the animal was badly marked. Mayor Brewer thought that the Council could not be held liable, but referred the matter to the Street and Road Committee for investigation.

Mr. Scheffler of the Water and Lights Committee, called attention to the fact that about a week ago the water company had turned the water entirely off to the northern part of the borough, while making some small repairs in Bloomfield. The company, he said, had admitted that it was a mistake to shut the water off completely, and had turned it on again at his demand.

A resolution was passed placing the report of the Board of Assessors, in regard to property benefited by the sewer on Benson street, in the hands of the borough clerk, for the collection of the assessments. They were made payable in annual instalments beginning August 1, 1904.

Fire Chief William E. Smith reported that Fireman Graham had served seven years in the department, and was entitled to an exempt certificate. This matter was referred to the Fire Committee for action.

No action was taken by the Council in regard to removing fire keys from the alarm boxes and placing them in adjacent houses. Councilman Tyson said he saw no advantage to be derived from such a change, and did not think it would tend to lessen false alarms, but would inevitably cause delay in sending in a genuine alarm. In the few instances where that system is used, he stated, the persons to whom keys are entrusted become careless and misplace them, so that it is often difficult to find them when needed. As Mr. White, the other member of the committee was absent, it was decided to drop the matter for the present.

Suspicious Fire.

When Samuel Eilor, one of the trustees of the Wataessing Methodist Church, went into the old church building Monday, he discovered what he believed was an attempt to burn the building. In one corner of the structure he found a quantity of rags and newspapers partly burned. Eilor notified the police and Fire Chief Nicol, who are to make an investigation.

Proposed New Police Station.

The Town Council is expecting momentary notice from the Lackawanna Railroad Company to the effect that the company needs the ground now occupied by the police station for its own business purposes, and in anticipating such notice the Council is preparing to erect a police station in connection with a fire-house on the property purchased from Mr. Decker.

WATER RATE PAYERS

Are Requested to Give Immediate Notice to the Board of Trade's Committee of Ten of Any Threat or Attempt to Shut the Water Off From Their Premises for Refusal to Pay the Double Rate Charges.

At a meeting Thursday night of the Board of Trade Committee having in charge the devising of ways and means for contesting the exorbitant water rates charged the people of this town by the Orange Water Company, several matters relating to the work in hand were discussed. Reports as to the financial receipts were encouraging, and one hundred and eighty-six dollars were paid in at the Tuesday night's meeting. The retaining of legal counsel was delegated to a sub-committee consisting of Dr. H. E. Richards, Peter J. Quinn, and Charles R. Underwood.

The question as to what action should be taken in case the water company attempted to shut off the bill on the grounds of refusal to pay the bill of date of July 1. Such action will precipitate legal proceedings, and any water rate payer who may be subjected to a threat or an attempt to turn the water off from his premises is requested to notify any member of the Board of Trade's Committee of Ten. The names of that committee are given in another part of this paper.

It is the intention of the Committee of Ten to have an interview with President Shepard of the water company at the earliest opportunity, and that will be at least two weeks as Mr. Shepard has gone away to be absent two weeks.

Water rate payers are notified that no person except the ten men constituting the Board of Trade's Committee is authorized to solicit or receive subscriptions towards carrying on the work undertaken by the board. The three places designated for receiving subscriptions are as follows: First Ward, Peter J. Quinn's office, Broad street; Second Ward, J. W. Baldwin & Bros. store; Third Ward, Edgerly & Gilson's coal office.

Since the Board of Trade took up the fight against exorbitant water rates a strange situation has come to light here as to rates charged for water.

The Montclair Water Company sells to the Orange Water Company the water that the latter company sells to the people of this town. The Montclair Water Company also sells water to some private parties in this town. There is a case in Brookdale where a water consumer who purchases direct from the Montclair Water Company by meter measurement has five faucets in use on his premises at a cost of water of only \$12 per annum.

Important Business Announcement.

The Combination Rubber Manufacturing Company announces that it has purchased the factory and business of the Combination Rubber and Belting Company located in this town. The officers of the new company are: E. H. Garcia, president and general manager; H. A. Moore, vice-president; H. L. Reppburn, treasurer; A. H. Howe, secretary.

This factory is one of the largest, most modern, and best equipped in the country, and being located on two lines of railway, within ten miles of New York city, is in a position to make specially quick deliveries.

The product of the old company has always enjoyed a good reputation, and it will be the aim of the new company not only to retain this reputation, but by turning out strictly first-class goods to greatly add thereto.

Bostock Show.

A lioness cub about a year old is grieving herself to death at Bostocks in Dreamland, Coney Island, because her mate has been taken from her by no less a person than the famous pugilist Robert Fitzsimmons.

It is the intention of the Animal King to try moral persuasion with the sage of Bensonhurst and have him return the lion, otherwise Mr. Bostock will be compelled to either present the lioness to Fitz or resort to legal process to recover his property.

St. Louis and Return \$18.00.

Via Lackawanna Railroad every Thursday during July. Also the following St. Louis excursion tickets on sale every day: Fifteen-day tickets, \$23.25; sixty-day tickets, \$38.35; season ticket, \$34.00.

Our through Pullman Sleeping Car service in connection with the Wabash Railroad west of Buffalo is unexcelled by any other line to St. Louis. We offer choice of routes, and stop-overs are permitted at Cincinnati, Chicago, Detroit and Niagara Falls without extra charge. For particulars address Guy Adams, Division Passenger Agent, 749 Broad street, Newark, N. J.—Adv.

Violin and piano instruction at teacher's residence. As William J. Malar, 1st avenue, Newark, N. J.—Adv.

Death of Mrs. Slayback.

Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Slayback, wife of John D. Slayback, who has a summer home in Glen Ridge, died Sunday afternoon at her late residence, 416 Madison avenue, New York. The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock at the house. The service was conducted by Rev. Dr. George E. Stroubridge, pastor of the Washington Square Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. Dr. John Y. Dobbins, of Montclair. Mrs. Slayback had been in failing health for the past year. Death was caused by cancer.

The Slaybacks have been spending their summers in Glen Ridge for many years, having a home in Baldwin street.

Mrs. Slayback was the daughter of Dr. Edward Field, a prominent physician in New York. She was a member of the Washington Square Methodist Church and was identified with many charities, including the Immigrants' Home. She was also manager of the Watts de Peyster Home, at Tivoli-on-the-Hudson, one of the managers of the Old Ladies' Methodist Home, and an officer of the Methodist Missionary Society. Besides being identified with these organizations, she had bestowed her generosity on many private charities. Mrs. Slayback was the mother of eight children, four of whom survive her. They are Miss Edith Slayback, Edward, Harry, and William Slayback, all of New York. Mr. Slayback is a broker of Manhattan.

Strangled by a Bean.

Strangled by a large bean which had lodged in his throat, little Clarence McCoy, the 4-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McCoy of Ellis street died in agony Thursday morning at his parents' home. The boy had been playing with a pan of lima beans which had been left on the kitchen table, ready for cooking for the midday meal. Left by himself a few moments, he began putting the beans in his mouth, gurgling and laughing in his play. One of the beans slipped down his throat and lodged in his windpipe. The child coughed and struggled for breath. He rolled over to the floor, and the agonized sounds of his strangled breath brought his mother and other members of the household to his aid. They thumped his back, turned him upside down, and used every method within their knowledge to remove the bean. They could do nothing to help the child, who was now in convulsions.

Meanwhile a message had been sent to Dr. J. S. Wolfe, who lives in Ellis street, a few doors away from the McCoy's. When Dr. Wolfe began his ministrations the boy had almost ceased to struggle. He was beyond medical help, and though the physician worked over him for some time death could not be prevented.

The bean which did the mischief was uncooked and hard. It fitted the windpipe exactly, lodging far enough down the throat to be beyond reach. The boy's struggles while he was choking to death but served to fix it more firmly down the throat.

Consents for New Trolley Line.

Assurances of consents of property owners along the proposed route of the trolley line to be built from the Montclair branch in Bloomfield avenue through to Dodd street, East Orange, and continuing to Springfield avenue, and thence to Fifteenth street, running out to Eaton place, through that thoroughfare to Eleventh street, Roseville, thence to Orange street, are being received in such satisfactory numbers the Public Service Corporation expects at an early date to present a petition to the East Orange City Council for permission to build the line.

At the present time a petition for a franchise to connect the Montclair branch with the Crostown line at Dodd street is before the Council, but action is being deferred until the entire line is to be built. This road has been discussed for some time, and that the time for arriving at a decision is rapidly approaching is a fact commented upon.

Trolley Ride to Verona.

The members of Bloomfield Conclave, Order of Heptasophs, at the last meeting of the Conclave decided to take a trolley ride to Caldwell and Verona Lake on Thursday evening, July 21, at the conclusion of the regular meeting on that evening. The meeting is called for 8.30 o'clock sharp, and the excursionists expect to leave the Centre at 8 o'clock.

Fishing Trip.

Col. James B. Michael and Mr. E. L. R. Cadmus left town on July 11th for a tour of the Eastern waters at their favorite sport, mackerel fishing. Their first stop will be at Memecog House, South Harpwell, Maine, where they will seal the waters of Casco Bay, thence to Nova Scotia for the purpose of harpooning sword fish.

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COMBINED TO FIGHT.

LARGELY ATTENDED MEETING OF WATER RATE PAYERS TUESDAY NIGHT.

Support Pledged to the Board of Trade to Contest the Exorbitant Water Rates—Ten Per Cent. of Water Bill the Basis of Contribution—Committee Named to Receive Subscriptions.

At the water rate payers' mass meeting in Central Hall on Tuesday night, the following resolutions offered by William Biggart, were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, The Orange Water Company has charged for water supplied to the citizens of Bloomfield, for the six months ending July 1, double the rates formerly charged for the same service, and

"Whereas, Such double rates are unreasonable and oppressive, therefore be it Resolved, That we hereby protest against the excessive charges made by the Orange Water Company, and against its making the same without proper notice to the consumers prior to January 1 and without stating in advance what rates would be charged during said period, and be it further

"Resolved, That we hereby pledge to the Board of Trade our moral and financial support in this matter."

The water rate payers present voted almost unanimously to pay ten per cent. of the amount of their water bills into a common fund for the purpose of defraying the cost of contesting the Orange Water Company's charges.

The chairman of the meeting was authorized to appoint a committee of ten members of the Board of Trade to collect the subscription, and Charles H. Underwood, Treasurer of the Board of Trade, was appointed Treasurer of the contest fund, and many people paid their subscription before they left the hall.

The meeting was largely attended, notwithstanding many who intended to be present were deterred by the storm. It had been a fine evening Central Hall would not have accommodated the throng of indignant water rate payers.

President William F. Sutphen of the Board of Trade, presided, and Secretary John J. Hughes of the board was clerk of the meeting. Mr. Sutphen made a statement telling of the Board of Trade's previous action in regard to the exorbitant water rates, and also stated the purpose of the general mass meeting of water rate payers that had been called under the auspices of the board.

Former Councilman George Peterson gave a review of the details in connection with the extension of the contract after the regular agreement had expired and the final vote of the people to purchase the pipe system for \$90,000.

Dr. Harry E. Richards, Chairman of the Legal Committee of the Board of Trade, gave an idea as to the probable cost of the litigation, which, he said, would be anywhere from \$250 to \$750. He also declared that if a fight is to be made the people should be a unit.

"Those who received bills January 1, marked, 'An increase will occur in the rates,' would have objected," said Dr. Richards, "had it been known that the increase would be twenty-five per cent., but when the raise is 100 per cent. it is too much. We have everything to gain and nothing to lose."

President Sutphen said that the board would try to secure a reasonable rate, and to do so it was necessary for some organization to fight against the overcharges.

Dr. R. W. Cornillon declared that he understood the Orange Water Company had sent out bills for something over \$17,000, and that he had been informed that the company claimed it was obliged to pay the Montclair Water Company for water used by it.

"If we can look at the books of the water company," he said, "and they show a bona-fide payment to the Montclair Water Company, I believe the jury would question whether it was a bona-fide payment and ascertain whether the stockholders of the Montclair company were the same as those in the Orange company."

A number said that the rates paid in other places were much less than in Bloomfield, and cited Glen Ridge as an example. Theodore H. Ward, Joseph Fronapfel, Edward Griffith and James C. Green also took part in the discussion.

Mr. Ward gave an interesting account of the dealings of the committee of citizens with the water company, and quoted the figures then furnished by the water company as to the amount of water consumed in Bloomfield, and the cost of the water to the company.

President Sutphen named the following members of the Board of Trade as the committee to receive subscriptions from water rate payers: Charles H. Underwood, Peter J. Quinn, Alfred H. Edgerly, Edward W. Baldwin, Gustav H. Macy, Franklin A. Stone, John N. Delhagen, Charles F. Hannan, Henry Sternberger and Michael H. Higgins.

